

GOVERNMENT OF ANDHRA PRADESH
ABSTRACT

Public Services – Filling up of the vacancies of Proh. & Excise Constables by direct recruitment – Exemption from following the Rule of Reservation in respect of certain back-log vacancies for women while absorbing the APSP Constables in Prohibition and Excise Department – Orders – Issued.

REVENUE (EXCISE.I) DEPARTMENT

G.O.Ms.No. 255

Dated:19.04.2012

Read the following:

1. G.O.Ms.No.1103, Revenue (Ex.I) Department, dated:17.08.2007.
2. G.O.Ms.No.1217, Revenue (Ex.I) Department, dated:30.11.2009.
3. From the CPE Lr.Cr.No.10414/2007/CPE/H3, dated:14.07.2010.

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ORDER:

In the reference second read above, Government have issued orders permitting direct recruitment of 1434 Proh. & Excise Constables through District Selection Committee.

2. In the reference third read above, the Commissioner of Proh. & Excise, A.P., Hyderabad has informed that as per rule 22-A of Andhra Pradesh State & Subordinate Service Rules, 1996 there was reservation for women candidates to the extent of 30% of posts in the matter of direct recruitment from 02.01.1984 to 27.05.1996 and thereafter it was enhanced to 33 1/3%. The Commissioner of Prohibition & Excise, A.P., Hyderabad has also informed that 2151 the APSP Constables, who were ultimately absorbed as Prohibition & Excise Constables, in the vacancies in Prohibition and Excise Department in the year 2007, vide reference first read above, were originally recruited in the year 1995 for the purpose of deputation to the Prohibition and Excise Department. At that time reservation of posts for women candidates was not provided for in the APSP Constable Service Rules. He has therefore requested to consider relaxation from the Rule of Reservation to the extent of filling up of back-log women reservation vacancies arising out of en-block absorption of 2151 men APSP Constables in Prohibition and Excise Department.

3. Government have carefully examined the above matter. It is observed that when the 2151 APSP Constables absorbed in Excise Department were originally recruited by the Police Department in 1995, as per the relevant Service Rules there was no reservation for women in recruitment since women were considered as not suitable for the said post (APSP Constable). Hence, when these APSP Constables who were subsequently absorbed as Proh. & Excise Constables in the Excise Department vide reference first read above, are fitted in the reservation roster, 645 (30% of 2151) back-log vacancies reserved for women would arise. This would be in addition to the other back-log women vacancies, if any, arising out of earlier recruitments and reservation against balance current roster points.

4. Government have also observed that the Excise Constables have to take part in raids on suspected centres of illicit distillation of liquor, Ganja cultivation areas, premises storing intoxicating substances without licence etc. They are also expected to take part in hot pursuit of offenders/bootleggers/smugglers flouting Excise laws. Hence physical toughness is of paramount importance. It is also significant to note that since 1995 there has been no induction of fresh blood into the Excise Constabulary. Hence induction of a disproportionately large contingent of women constables in the ensuing mass recruitment of 1434 Prohibition and Excise Constables is likely to handicap the striking ability of the Excise Constabulary which would not be in public interest.

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5. In the light of the above, the Government, in exercise of the powers conferred by Rule-31 of the Andhra Pradesh State and Subordinate Service Rules, 1996 and in public interest, hereby relax the operation of the Rule of Reservation (Rule-22) in so far as the filling up of back-log women reservation vacancies arising out of en-bloc absorption of 2151 APSP Constables in Prohibition and Excise Department through the reference first read above is concerned. The Rule of Reservation would however operate in toto i.e., including women reservation, in respect of the other direct recruitment posts i.e., other than the 2151 posts mentioned above.

6. The Commissioner of Proh. & Excise, A.P., Hyderabad shall take necessary action accordingly.

(BY ORDER AND IN THE NAME OF THE GOVERNOR OF ANDHRA PRADESH)

ASUTOSH MISHRA
PRINCIPAL SECRETARY TO GOVERNMENT

To
The Commissioner of Proh. & Excise, A.P., Hyderabad.
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//FORWARDED :: BY ORDER//

SECTION OFFICER